IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (original) A strap for a bow string release comprising:
 - a strap having a first end and a second end;
 - said first end of said strap comprising a receiver having an opening for receiving said second end, said opening having an opening width;
 - said second end of said strap comprising a member having a width, said member width greater than said opening width.
- 2. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the second end of said strap further comprising an elastic member coupled with said member.
- 3. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip coupled to said strap, said clip being coupled with the second end of said strap.
- 4. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip coupled to said strap, said clip being selectively coupled with the second end of said strap.
- 5. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip receiver coupled to said strap, and a clip coupled to said clip receiver.
- 6. (original) A strap according to claim 5 where said clip is movably coupled with said clip receiver.
- 7. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said second end of strap further comprising at least one hole provided on said strap, said hole selectively receiving a pin coupled with said receiver on said first end of said strap.
- 8. (original) A strap according to claim 1, wherein said member is triangular.
- 9. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap being formed from a first padded layer coupled to a second non-stretchable layer.
- 10. (original) A strap according to claim 9 the strap further comprising a third layer coupled with said second layer.
- 11. (original) A strap according to claim 9, wherein said second layer is formed of a ballistic material.

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- 12. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap comprising a substantially v-shaped pattern.
- 13. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said tab comprising a substantially triangular pattern.
- 14. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap coupled to a bow string release mechanism.
- 15. (currently amended) A multi-layer strap for a bow string release <u>adapted to contact an archer's skin</u> comprising:
 - a padded layer adapted to lie adjacent to the skin; and
 - a substantially non-stretchable layer overlaying said padded layer over substantially all of the padded layer,

the strap being connected to a bow string release.

- 16. (original) A strap for a bow string release according to claim 15, said strap further comprising a third layer coupled with said substantially non-stretchable layer.
- 17. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release comprising a substantially v-shaped strap having a first end and a second end, said second end being provided with a means for maintaining the second end in a semi-closed position relative to said first end, wherein said means for maintaining the second end in a semi-closed position relative to said first end is removable from said first end.
- 18. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release comprising a first end of said strap, a second end of said strap, said first end and said second end in a semi-closed relationship and said first end being removable from said second end.
- 19. (original) A strap according to claim 18, said first end and said second end further forming a closed relationship.

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- 20. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release, the strap having a buckle/pin type construction, the strap having a first end with a receiver and a pin and a second end insertable into the receiver and removable from the receiver, the receiver having a width, and further comprising a means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position wherein the pin is not engaged with the second end but the strap does not fall off the archer's wrist and an open position relative to the first end.
- 21. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 20, wherein the means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position relative to the first end is a member having a width not greater than the width of the receiver.

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- 23. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 20, wherein the means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position relative to the first end is a tab on the second end insertable into the receiver.
- 24. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 23, wherein the tab is triangularly shaped.
- 25. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 23, further comprising a clip restraining the second end against the first end.
- 26. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 25, wherein the clip is adjustable along the first end for different wrist sizes.
- 27. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 26, further comprising an elastic member on the second end between the first end and the tab and the elastic member being insertable into the clip.

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